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Customer No. 22882

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In re Application of:	)	Confirmation No.: 4198
Gary K. Michelson, M.D.	)	
Serial No.: 09/768,991	)	Group Art Unit: 3732
Filed: January 23, 2001	)	Examiner: P. Philogene
For: INTERBODY SPINAL IMPLANT	)	
WITH TRAILING END ADAPTED	)	
TO RECEIVE BONE SCREWS	)	
(as amended)	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action dated October 3, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for three (3) months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 25 of this paper.

Amendment 4-5-04